

Whiting refinery fires put out with no injuries

Three fires over the weekend at Amoco Oil Company's Whiting, Ind., refinery were extinguished by Amoco firefighters with no injuries to company employees or members of the community.

7,000 gal
The first fire broke out at 7:50 p.m. on Jan. 22 at the Distillate Desulfurization Unit. The unit was shut down and company firefighters had the fire under control by 8:30 p.m. and put out at 10:15 p.m..

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At 4:58 a.m. on Jan. 23 an explosion and fire occurred at 11C pipestill. Amoco firefighters contained the fire, blocked it in and allowed it to burn itself out. An all clear was sounded at 7:34 a.m.

1,000 gal
At 11:40 a.m. on Jan. 23rd, a fire broke out at 12 pipestill. After the unit was shut down, Amoco firefighters put out the fire with an all clear sounded at 1:15 p.m.

There were no injuries resulting from the fires and they caused no threats to the health and safety of the Whiting community.

Investigations are underway to determine the causes of the fires.